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**US-VA HISTORY STANDARDS OF LEARNING ASSESSMENT TEST**

Answer all of the questions below to the best of your ability. This test will be scored and recorded!

**\_\_\_\_\_1. The Western boundary of the English Colonies in North America before 1750 was –**

1. The Atlantic Ocean
2. The Appalachian Mountains
3. The Mississippi River
4. The Ohio River

**\_\_\_\_\_2. Prior to the arrival of Europeans in 1492, the Americas did not have –**

1. Horses
2. Disease
3. Written languages
4. Domesticated animals

**\_\_\_\_\_3. The Columbian Exchange proved beneficial to Europeans because –**

1. European domesticated animals

thrived in the Americas.

1. American plants became survival

foods for European populations.

1. American populations developed

very few contagious diseases.

1. ALL OF THE ABOVE ARE TRUE.

**4. Identify each of the geographical features which are described below:**

**4A. River that runs from the Appalachian Mountains, through Richmond, VA and into the Chesapeake Bay in Virginia:**

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**4B. The arid grasslands which begin at the 100° W Longitude and run to the Rocky Mountains:**

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**4C. River that runs from Minnesota to New Orleans, LA and enters the Gulf of Mexico:**

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**4D. This mountain range is the largest in the United States of America, and includes features like Pikes Peak and the Continental Divide:**

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**\_\_\_\_\_5. Which document did the Pilgrims – and a handful of other strangers – sign in order to govern their colony?**

1. *The Magna Carta*
2. *The Mayflower Compact*
3. *The Declaration of Rights*
4. *The Act of Toleration*

**\_\_\_\_\_6. In which of the English Colonies would you be most likely to find social diversity and religious toleration?**

1. Southern Colonies
2. Chesapeake Colonies
3. New England Colonies
4. Middle Colonies

**\_\_\_\_\_7. Which colony was planned out by Quakers and devoted to religious toleration and pacifism?**

1. New York
2. Pennsylvania
3. Virginia
4. Massachusetts Bay Colony

**\_\_\_\_\_8. What was the first official representative government established by the English in America?**

A. The House of Burgesses

B. The Mayflower Compact

C. The Fundamental Orders

D. The United States Congress

**\_\_\_\_\_9. Which European power that claimed Florida, the Caribbean, and South America and was a major rival of the English?**

A. Holland

B. Spain

C. France

D. England

**\_\_\_\_\_10. The nation which claimed most of eastern Canada before 1763 and was the English colonists’ main rival to the North was –**

A. France

B. Holland

C. Portugal

D. England

**\_\_\_\_\_11. Which colony was established principally to allow English settlers to practice their religion undisturbed by the government?**

1. Massachusetts Bay Colony
2. Georgia
3. Virginia
4. New York

**\_\_\_\_\_12. Which colony was established principally in order to make a profit from the resources discovered in the region?**

1. Virginia
2. Maryland
3. Pennsylvania
4. Massachusetts Bay Colony

**\_\_\_\_\_ 13. Which of the following was established as a debtor’s colony and as a military buffer from the Spanish enemy?**

1. Roanoke Island
2. Plymouth Plantations
3. Delaware
4. Georgia

**\_\_\_\_\_14. The turning point in the Revolutionary War was the Battle of –**

A. Yorktown

B. Saratoga

C. Brandywine

D. Monmouth

**\_\_\_\_\_\_15. Which author is *incorrectly paired* to his or her greatest work?**

1. Thomas Jefferson: *The Declaration of Independence*
2. Thomas Paine: *Common Sense*
3. James Madison: *The United States Constitution*
4. Harriet Beecher Stowe: *The Liberator*

**\_\_\_\_\_16. Which of the following men *WAS NOT* an author of *The Federalist Papers* – which advocated the ratification of the Constitution?**

1. John Jay
2. James Madison
3. Alexander Hamilton
4. George Mason

**\_\_\_\_\_17. Which case did Chief Justice John Marshall use in order to advance the Supreme Court’s power of judicial review?**

1. *Marbury V. Madison*
2. *Gideon V. Wainwright*
3. *McCullough V. Maryland*
4. *Brown V. Board of Education*

**\_\_\_\_\_18. The turning point in the American Civil War was –**

1. The Emancipation Proclamation
2. The Battle of Gettysburg
3. Appomattox Court House
4. The *Monitor* v. *Virginia* Naval Battle

**\_\_\_\_\_19. Which of the “Great Industrialists” listed below IS NOT CORRECTLY PAIRED with his industry?**

1. John D. Rockefeller: Oil Refineries
2. Andrew Carnegie: Coal Mining
3. James P. Morgan: Finance
4. Cornelius Vanderbilt: Railroads

**\_\_\_\_\_20. Which of the following amendments to the Constitution WAS NOT a milestone in the expansion of voting rights in American History?**

A. The First Amendment

B. The 13th Amendment

C. The 19th Amendment

D. The 26th Amendment

**\_\_\_\_\_21. In which three (3) nations did the United States military fight during the Spanish-American War?**

A. Spain, the United States, Cuba

B. Cuba, Puerto Rico, the Philippines

C. France, Spain, the United States

D. Hawaii, the Philippines, Guam

**\_\_\_\_\_22. Which American President is closely associated with “Big Stick” Diplomacy and the construction of the Panama Canal?**

1. William Howard Taft
2. Theodore Roosevelt
3. Woodrow Wilson
4. Herbert Hoover

**\_\_\_\_\_23. Identify both the President of the United States who composed the Fourteen Point Plan and the war he intended to end using the basic ideas in the document.**

1. Franklin Delano Roosevelt and World War II.
2. William Howard Taft and the Spanish-American War.
3. Woodrow Wilson and the Great War, or World War I
4. Harry S Truman and the Korean War.

**\_\_\_\_\_24. Which of the following factors *DID NOT* contribute to the onset of the Great Depression at the end of the 1920s?**

1. strict government regulation
2. overproduction
3. buying on the margin
4. high tariffs

**\_\_\_\_\_25. Which of the following *WAS NOT* a goal of the New Deal programs proposed by President Franklin Delano Roosevelt?**

1. To Regulate the Banking Industry.
2. To Provide Direct Aid to the Elderly and Unemployed.
3. To Provide Government Health Care.
4. To Create Jobs for the Unemployed.

**\_\_\_\_\_26. Which of the following New Deal Programs *DOES NOT EXIST* today?**

A. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

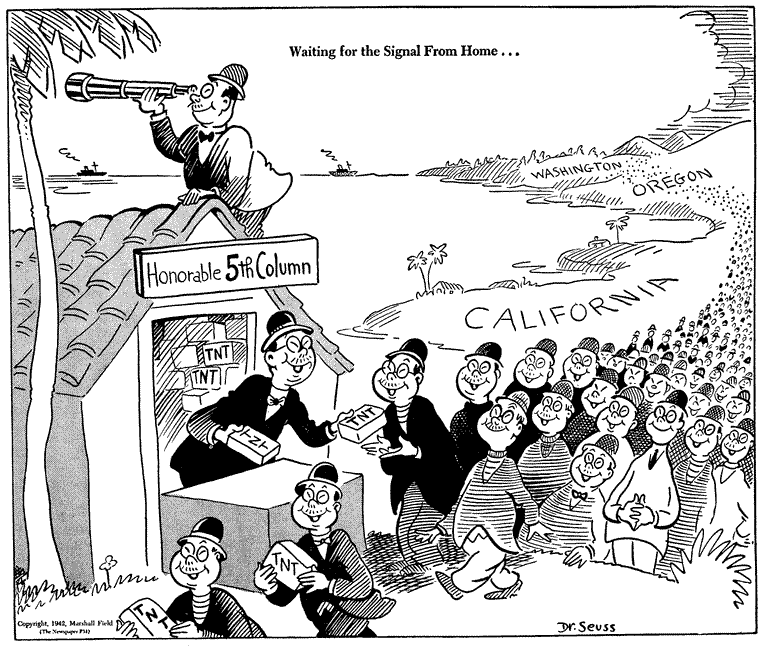
B. The Agricultural Adjustment Admin.

C. The Social Security Administration

D. The Tennessee Valley Authority

**\_\_\_\_\_\_27. What two leaders signed the Atlantic Charter in 1939, pledging to fight against the Nazi tyranny in Europe?**

1. Chamberlain and Roosevelt
2. Roosevelt and Churchill
3. Churchill and Truman
4. Truman and Atlee



**\_\_\_\_\_28. In this political cartoon, Dr. Seuss encouraged Americans to** –

A. allow African-American soldiers.

B. open relocation camps.

C. follow a policy of appeasement.

D. use a nuclear weapon at Hiroshima.

**\_\_\_\_\_\_29. Which of the following is an example of the policy of containment?**

1. Truman Doctrine
2. The Marshall Plan
3. The Berlin Airlift
4. ALL OF THE ABOVE ARE CORRECT.

**\_\_\_\_\_30 Which of the nations below WAS NOT INVADED by the United States of America in order to stop the spread of communism?**

A. North Korea

B. North Vietnam

C. Cuba

D. Hungary

**\_\_\_\_\_31. The August 28, 1963 March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom was most famous for a speech by –**

A. John F. Kennedy

B. Martin Luther King, Jr.

C. Fannie Lou Hamer

D. Malcolm X

**\_\_\_\_\_32. What Supreme Court case overturned *Plessy V. Ferguson* in 1954?**

A. *McCullough V. Maryland*

B. *Gideon V. Wainwright*

C. *Brown V. Board of Education*

D. *Gore V. Bush*

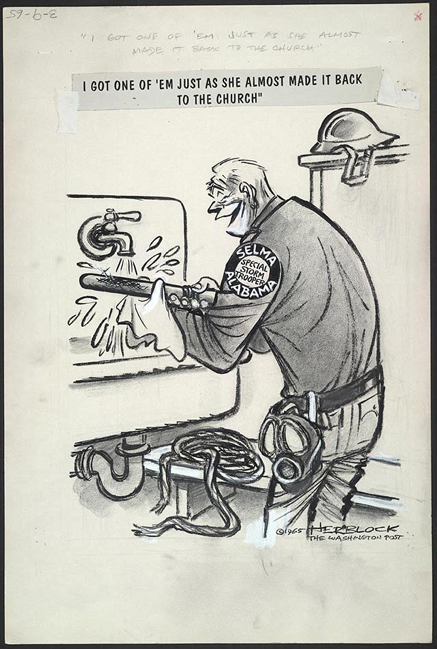
**\_\_\_\_\_33. Rosa Parks and Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. both rose to prominence as Civil Rights leaders during this 1955 – 1956 event:**

A. The Selma March

B. The Freedom Rides

C. The Montgomery Bus Boycott

D. *A Letter From a Birmingham Jail*



**\_\_\_\_\_34. Name the law passed in response to the event criticized by the political cartoon above:**

A. The Voting Rights Act of 1965

B. The Civil Rights Act of 1964

C. The Motor Voter Law

D. The 19th Amendment

**\_\_\_\_\_35. Which of the Supreme Court justices below IS NOT DESCRIBED correctly?**

A. John Jay: First Chief Justice of the

Supreme Court.

B. Thurgood Marshall: First African –

American Justice of the Supreme

Court.

C. Sandra Day O’Conner: First Woman

appointed to the Supreme Court.

D. William Rehnquist: First Justice ever

elected to the Supreme Court.

**\_\_\_\_\_36. Which President was forced to resign due to the Watergate Incident?**

A. Richard Nixon

B. Gerald Ford

C. Ronald Reagan

D. Lyndon Johnson

**\_\_\_\_\_37. The premier of the Soviet Union who introduced reforms like *glasnost* and *perestroika*, helping to bring the Cold War to an end was –**

1. Nikita Khrushchev
2. Yuri Andropov
3. Leonid Brezhnev
4. Michael Gorbachev

**\_\_\_\_\_38. The President who stood before the Berlin Wall and demanded of the Soviet premier “Tear down this wall!” was** –

A. George H.W. Bush

B. Ronald Reagan

C. William Jefferson Clinton

D. Jimmy Carter

**\_\_\_\_\_39. NAFTA, “Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell,” The Defense of Marriage Act, and welfare reform – almost all of which he has either denounced or attempted to change in his career as ex-President – were accomplishments of –**

A. Jimmy Carter

B. William Jefferson Clinton

C. George W. Bush

D. Barack Obama

**\_\_\_\_\_40. What nation was invaded in October of 2001 for harboring terrorists, specifically al-Qaeda, before and after the September 11th attacks on the World Trade Centers, the Pentagon, and the hijacking of Flight 93?**

A. Afghanistan

B. Syria

C. Libya

D. Iraq

* Increased strain on governmental services
* Higher medical bills
* Increased costs in local education
* Federal concerns over border security

**\_\_\_\_\_41. All of the problems listed in the textbox above are cause in part by –**

A. illegal immigration

B. laissez-faire economics

C. elected school boards.

D. integration of public schools

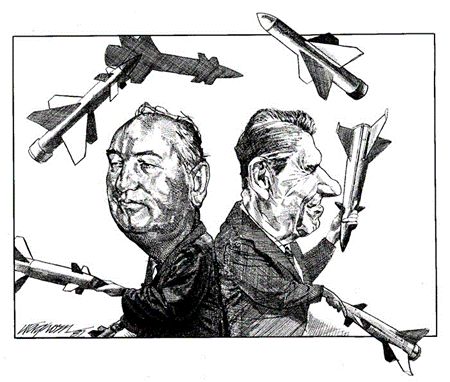
**\_\_\_\_\_42. Which law allows the government to collect information from private phone conversations and internet exchanges if the national security of the United States is believed to be threatened – even by citizens of the United States?**

A. The Espionage Act

B. The Alien and Sedition Act

C. The Patriot Act

D. The Un-American Activities Act



**\_\_\_\_\_43. The political cartoon above shows that both Mikhail Gorbachev and President Ronald Reagan were willing to cooperate in order to –**

A. end the Cuban Missile Crisis.

B. reduce nuclear arms.

C. end their alliances in Eastern Europe.

D. prevent Israel from nuclearizing.

**\_\_\_\_\_44. Which of the following United States foreign policy choices *WAS NOT* an example of containment?**

A. The Berlin Airlift

B. The Marshall Plan

C. The Truman Doctrine

D. The Treaty of Versailles

**\_\_\_\_\_45. The Soviet Union was able to acquire and produce an atomic weapon in 1949 in part due to espionage carried out by -** A. Sacco and Vanzetti

B. Julius and Ethyl Rosenberg

C. A. Mitchell Palmer

D. Joseph McCarthy

**\_\_\_\_\_46. The domino theory was most responsible for which American war?**

A. The Vietnam War

B. The Spanish-American War

C. The Persian Gulf War

D. The War in Afghanistan

**\_\_\_\_\_47. The Commonwealth of Virginia benefited during the Cold War due to –**

A. increased trade with Eastern Europe.

B. decreased immigration from Russia.

C. increased military spending in

Hampton Roads and Northern

Virginia.

D. employment at missile silos in the

state.

**\_\_\_\_\_48. The Wisconsin Senator known for making slanderous accusations against people he suspected of having ties to communism – without any evidence in most cases – was –**

A. Robert LaFollette

B. Joseph McCarthy

C. Edward Kennedy

D. Patrick Moynihan



